

15 October 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Budget Division

THROUGH: Deputy Director/Intelligence

SUBJECT: Manpower Utilization for the NIS Program

1. Attached in the general format suggested in your memo of 3 October is a tabulation of the estimated use of manyears for the National Intelligence Survey Program in the 1963, 1964, and 1965 fiscal years. The figures for CIA components and Defense are as submitted by them; we have drawn on our budgeting data to make estimates for the non-USIB contractors.

2. Attention is called to two aspects of these estimates. The first relates to Defense. Defense has been unable to provide newer data than the FY 63 estimated manyears for NIS which their comptroller gave the [] staff last spring. That total for FY 63 was 450.9 manyears. However, excluding OBI functions and PSD printing costs, the CIA direct and contract manyears spent on research and related work for the NIS, which is comparable to the Defense contributions, came to some 257 manyears. In turn, this CIA effort provides roughly 60% of total NIS units produced, and Defense provides some 40%. Mathematical application of this ratio would give Defense an annual manyear total of some 171 manyears. This is well below one-half of the Defense estimate. Their estimate cannot be argued in public with Defense but, even with liberal allowance for the rubbery factor of relative difficulty for different topics and for accounting methods which have tended to charge the NIS with effort which is more applicable for departmental requirements per se than for NIS and departmental purposes in combination, the Defense estimate is clearly well out of line and not to be used without qualification in estimates of community-wide NIS manyear costs.

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